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SUBJECT: LOS: EASTERN PACIFIC TUNA INITIATIVE

REF: QUITO 5530, STATE 175239

1. AMBASSADOR CARDENAS CALLED ON DEPARTMENT AT HIS REQUEST JULY 31 IN ORDER TO RESPOND TO CERTAIN MATTERS RAISED IN HIS JULY 23 MEETING IN DEPARTMENT (STATE 175239). IT DID NOT APPEAR FROM HIS REMARKS THAT HIS INSTRUCTIONS WENT BEYOND THOSE PREPARED PRIOR TO AYALA MEETING WITH ACTING DCM, JULY 28, IN QUITO.

2. CARDENAS REPEATED GOE POSITION ON NON-REGIONAL PARTICIPATION AND HE OFFERED HIS OPINION THAT FRANCE WOULD APPEAR TO BE DEFINITELY EXCLUDED. HE SAID THAT THIS MATTER COULD BE CLARIFIED WHEN AMBS MOORE AND CLINGAN GO TO QUITO. ON LATTER POINT, AMB. MOORE SUGGESTED THAT A VISIT TO QUITO MIGHT TAKE PLACE AT END OF FIRST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER, WHEN HE AND AMB. CLINGAN WOULD LEAVE EVENSEN GROUP MEETING IN GENEVA. MOORE COULD NOT PROVIDE CARDENAS WITH SPECIFIC ON THE TRAVEL TO QUITO, BUT DEPARTMENT HAS SUBSEQUENTLY FOUND THAT MOORE/CLINGAN MUST TRAVEL TO QUITO VIA NY AND MIAMI, ARRIVING QUITO BN 911, SEPTEMBER 4 AT 0730.

3. CARDENAS RESTATED GOE POSITION NOTED IN RECENT QUITO MEETING, OFFERING POSSIBILITY THAT UNGA TALKS BEGIN WITHOUT A CHAIRMAN, FUTHER SUGGESTING THAT A MEETING DIRECTOR BE CHOSEN FROM THE PARTICIPANTS. AMB. MOORE AGREED THAT THE INFORMALITY OF TALKS SHOULD BE PRESERVED BUT THAT HE THOUGHT THAT A CHAIRMAN SHOULD BE NAMED IN ADVANCE TO WORK WITH UN SECRETARIAT STAFF IN ORDER TO PUT THE MEETING TOGETHER. AMB. MOORE SUGGESTED THE NAME OF AMB. GALINDO-POHL OF EL SALVADOR, CHAIRMAN OF LOS SECOND COMMITTEE AND CHAIRMAN OF INTERAMERICAN JURIDICAL COMMITTEE, WHO HAS SPONSORED SIMILAR INFORMAL MEETINGS IN PAST. IN REPLY TO QUERY FROM CARDENAS CONCERNING WHO WOULD ASK GALINDO-POHL TO ACT AS CHAIRMAN, ABM. MOORE SUGGESTED THAT UN SECGEN SPECIAL REP ZULETA WOULD PROBABLY DO SO IF HE WAS SO REQUESTED BY SOME OF THE CONCERNED GOVERNMENTS. CARDENAS SAID HE WOULD REFER THE MATTER TO HIS FOREIGN MINISTRY.

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4. AMB. CARDENAS RAISED THE MATTER OF WHETHER INVITATIONS TO THE UNGA TALKS WOULD BE MADE TO INDIVIDUALS OR TO GOVERNMENTS. HE SUGGESTED THAT THE MATTER OF THE INFORMALITY OF THE TALKS COULD BECOME AN ISSUE IF INVITATIONS WERE MADE TO GOVERNMENTS. AMB. MOORE SAID THAT THE MATTER HAD NOT BEEN RAISED BEFORE, BUT THAT HE AGREED ON THE NECESSITY FOR INFORMAILITY AND SAID THAT GOE VIEWS ON THIS MATTER WOULD BE WELCOMED AND THAT WE COULD ACCEPT EITHER

APPROACH.

5. AMB. CARDENAS WAS GIVEN A COPY OF THE PROPOSED PRINCIPLES FOR A REGIONAL CONSERVATION AGREEMENT FOR HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES IN THE EASTERN PACIFIC (SEPTEL). AMB. MOORE STATED THAT THE PAPER HAD TAKEN A CONSIDERABLE TIME TO DEVELOP BECAUSE OF THE NEED TO HAVE THE VIEWS OF SEVERAL USG AGENCIES. THE PRINCIPLES ARE BASED ON THE FRAMEWORK OF INFORMAL TALKS HELD IN QUITO, GENEVA AND ELSEWHERE. HE HOPED THAT GOE COULD PROVIDE ITS REACTIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, PARTICULARLY BEFORE HIS VISIT TO QUITO. AMB. MOORE SAID THAT THE USG WOULD LIKE TO SHARE THE PRINCIPLES WITH OTHER INTERESTED GOVERNMENTS.

6. TEXT OF PRINCIPLES BEING SENT SEPARATELY. SPANISH VERSION IN PREPARATION.

7. EMBASSY SHOULD AGAIN CONTACT AYALA AT EARLIEST CONVENIENCE IN ORDER TO CLARIFY FOLLOWING POINTS:

(A) CHAIRMAN OF TALKS - IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE GOE RELUCTANCE, MATTER OF FACIO WAS NOT RAISED WITH CARDENAS. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT NOMINATION OF CHAIRMAN PRIOR TO TALKS IS IMPORTANT IN ORDER TO PROVIDE COORDINATION WITH UN STAFF AND TO ACT AS RAPPORTEUR. BECAUSE RECENT CONVERSATION LEFT MATTER OF FACIO OPEN, POST SHOULD SIMPLY EXPLAIN THAT THE NAME OF GALINDO-POHL CAME TO MIND BECAUSE OF HIS PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN ARRANGING SUCH TALKS AND THAT EITHER CANDIDATE WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE TO US.

(B) INVITATION TO GOVERNMENTS OR INDIVIDUALS. YOU MAY NOTE THAT CARDENAS RAISED THIS POINT (SIMILAR TO POINT RAISED IN QUITO) AND THAT IN VIEW OF CONCERN OF ECUADOREANS

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TO PRESERVE INFORMALITY OF DISCUSSIONS, WE BELIEVE IT IS PROBABLY BEST TO SEEK INVITATIONS IN PERSONAL RATHER THAN GOVERNMENTAL CAPACITY, BUT WE WILL BE WILLING TO ACCEPT INVITATIONS TO GOVERNMENTS IF ECUADOR PERFERES. INFORMAL AND PRODUCTIVE EVENSEN GROUP DISCUSSIONS IN LOS FORUM PROVIDE PRECEDENT FOR SUCH PRIVATE ARRANGEMENTS.

C. TEXT OF PRINCIPLES. POST SHOULD PROVIDE TEXT OF PRINCIPLES AND NOTE OUR INTEREST IN HAVING GOE VIEWS SOONEST. BECAUSE OF PRIOR REQUESTS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS AND THE TIME PROBLEM, PRINCIPLES WILL BE SOON DISTRIBUTED TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS.

D. QUITO MEETING. WE FEEL THAT WE CAN IMPROVE SUCCESS OF CURRENT EFFORTS IF GOE FULLY UNDERSTANDS OUR DESIRE TO

NARROW DIFFERENCES ON MAJOR QUESTIONS PRIOR TO AND DURING
QUITO TALKS. POST SHOULD BE PREPARED EMPHASIZE SPECIAL
ROLE WE ARE ACCORDING ECUADOR IN NEGOTIATIONS ON EASTERN
PACIFIC FISHERIES WHILE UNDERLINING REGIONAL NATURE OF
EVENTUAL AGREEMENT. INGERSOLL

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